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Re: Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Garden City Project, S/033/003, Rich County, Utah

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Thank you for your Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, received by the Division on September 24, 1993 for your proposed Garden City Project, located in Section 20, T14N, R5E, SLBM, Rich County, Utah. The Notice meets the requirements of Rule R647-3 of the 1988 Division of Oil, Gas and Mining Minerals Rules, and Title 40-8, et seq., of the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975.

I understand that you have discussed this project over the phone with Wayne Hedberg of the Division. In that discussion you agreed to provide the Division with additional information regarding your mining operation and the possibility of backfilling the pit with lake sediments. The additional information should include: a description of the mining operations (amount of material mined, amount of waste material), a description of the dredging and dewatering of the lake sediments, and a description of the pit backfilling (amount of material to be placed, percentage of the pit backfilled). In addition, please provide a map showing the locations of the mine disturbance, dredging area and dewatering area.

Please inform us of your proposed work schedule as soon as it becomes available so that we may schedule a site inspection if necessary.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices", and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (SMO-1 and SMO-2).



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Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices" (SMO-1). Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

Should you wish to expand your operation beyond the five (5) acre limitation, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between this Division and the State Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) requires us to notify them upon receipt of a mining application. If you haven't already done so, you are advised to contact their office prior to starting your small mining operation to determine whether additional permits and/or approvals are required. We will forward a copy of this letter and your notice to the DEQ for their review. Their address and phone number is: Department of Environmental Quality, 288 North 1460 West, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84116, (801) 538-6146.

Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,



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Reclamation Engineer

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Enclosure
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